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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3706**
Satoru OI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005_0168A
Serial No. 10/523,531 : Group Art Unit 1625
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**REQUEST FOR MISSING REFERENCE AND PETITION TO RESET PERIOD OF
REPLY DUE TO MISSING REFERENCE**

Commissioner for Patents
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

In the above-referenced application, the Office Action dated April 1, 2008 was received by the undersigned on April 2, 2008. On the form PTO-892, the reference cited under Non-Patent Documents, i.e., Reference U (Sakurai et al. Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan, (1969), Vol. 42(1), pp. 220-3), was not enclosed with the Office Action.

Accordingly, Applicants request that a copy of the missing reference (Sakurai et al.) be forwarded to the undersigned below.

This petition is being filed within 1 month of the date of receipt of the Office action at the correspondence address.

Accordingly, Applicants request that the Office restart the period of response to run from the mail date of the missing reference, in accordance with MPEP § 710.06.

Respectfully submitted,

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